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24. *Hypnum fluviatile*, Swtz.—Not rare.
 25. *Hypnum frigidum*, C. Müll.—Growing with *Bryum Warneum*.
 26. *Hypnum Lechleri*, C. Müll.—On low ground.
 27. *Hypnum fluitans*, Linn.—In fresh water and among bogs.
 28. *Hypnum riparium*, Linn.—In wet places.

§ 50. *Preissia commutata*.—I found yesterday in the Panama Ravine, growing on the rock-bottom of the creek, a new liverwort, *Preissia commutata*, said in Sullivan's Manual to grow at Lake Superior and Niagara Falls, the only two habitats hitherto known in this country. Male and female, fruit and summit-buds for new growths, were all present.

PANAMA, N. Y., Sept. 16th.

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§ 51. *Closing of Flowers at Night*.—The tendency of many flowers to open only in sunlight, and to close at night, is a fact familiar enough, especially in the case of many *Compositæ*. It would be interesting, however, to obtain some more definite data in regard to this subject, than we ordinarily possess. I am not aware whether it has ever been observed that the "Sow-thistle," *Sonchus oleraceus*, is a marked instance of this tendency; but so it is. In the grounds of the Hathorn Spring, at Saratoga, there is a group of these plants. During a recent sojourn in that place, I was wont to visit this spring, for a drink, early in the morning and pretty late in the evening. While the plants always attracted me in the morning, by their numerous heads of delicate yellow flowers, at night not a flower could be found—all being tightly closed. When once I had noticed this fact, I looked day after day, with care; but the result was invariably the same. I regret that I did not find opportunity to ascertain at what hour the closing begins.

D. S. M.

§ 52. *Field Days of the Club*.—Among the interesting plants observed on the field days of this season the following may be mentioned: At New Durham, along the R. R. track: *Frangula Caroliniana*; among the rocks on the hill, *Silene inflata*, *Iris Virginica*. At the Homestead station of the Northern R. R. of N. J.: *Diodia teres*, *Glyceria obtusa*. At W. Hoboken: *Ranunculus alismaefolius*. At Guttenberg: *Coronilla varia*, first detected by Mr. Wilber; *Fragaria Indica*. At Weehawken: *Chenopodium glaucum*, which seems to be more common than *C. Botrys*; *Eupatorium sessilifolium*, detected by Mr. W. H. Rudkin; *Melissa officinalis*, *Gymnostichium Hystrix*. At Hoboken: *Echinosperrum Lappula*. This plant which is new to our district, was detected by Mr. A. Brown. Its curious mouse-like odor was pointed out by Mr. Rudkin. At Silver Lake, Staten Island: *Melanthium Virginicum*. At Woodside, L. I.: *Geranium pusillum*. The station for this plant was visited, and though it used to be abundant, but two or three small specimens were found. At East Williamsburgh: *Scirpus lineatus*; *Galingsoga parviflora*, which is becoming common in the court-yards of Brooklyn, New York, and the neighboring towns of New Jersey. In the grounds of the U. S. Marine Hospital it is very abundant. The *Typha angustifolia* growing here has thick spikes and rather broad leaves, and seems to